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Customer No. 27752

REMARKS

Claim Status

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 2, and 4-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102. Claim 3 is objected to as depending from a rejected base claim, but is indicated as allowable. Claims 7-20 are allowed.

Claim 3 is canceled by this amended. Claim 1 has been amended by this amendment to incorporate the features of previous Claim 3.

Rejection Under 35 USC §102 Over Glaug et al.

Claims 1, 2, and 4-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Glaug et al. (US 5,702,376). Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of previously presented Claim 3. Claim 3 is indicated as allowable if written in independent form. As Amended Claim 1 incorporates the features of previous Claim 3 in independent form, this claim should be allowable over the cited Glaug et al. patent. Claims 2 and 4-6 depend from Amended Claim 1 and are patentable over the Glaug et al. patent for at least the same reasons given above with respect to Amended Claim 1. The remaining claims are all indicated as allowable. Therefore, all outstanding rejections in the Office Action have been overcome.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of this application, entry of the amendments presented herein, and allowance of Claims 1, 2 and 4-20 is respectfully requested.

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